Computers vs. Human Rating List

The ratings of the above list were calibrated by the ratings of Swedish human players. The calibration is done by entering the computers in all kinds of tournaments and competitions in Sweden. So far thirteen of the computers on the above list have played 212 games against human players. The resulting ELO points are presented in the table below.

1.	Mephisto Amsterdam	1980	(25)
2.	Plymate 4 MHz	1953	(6)
3.	Plymate 5.5 MHz	1879	(12)
4.	Conchess Glasgow 4 MHz	1858	(23)
5.	Expert	1839	(6)
6.	Super Constellation	1807	(60)
7.	Par Excellence	1789	(8)
8.	Elegance	1785	(16)
9.	Constellation 3.6 MHz	1779	(15)
10.	Turbostar 432	1759	(17)
11.	Elite A/S	1720	(7)
12.	Conchess Glasgow 2 MHz	1700	(11)
13.	Constellation 2 MHz	1650	(6)

Due to the low number of games played between humans and computers the ratings above are not always reliable as can been seen from the apparent difference between *Plymate 4 MHz* and *Plymate 5.5 MHz*. They have played too few games to make the tabulation trustworthy. It may be assumed that *Plymate 5.5 MHz* is not weaker than *Plymate 4 MHz*. The result of *Par Excellence* lies 100 points lower than what we expect from inter-computer games.

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We remind you that in order to qualify for a reduced participation fee your application and payment must have been received by the undersigned before December 1, 1986. Closing date for all applications is February 1, 1987 and for submitting papers is January 15, 1987.

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[It is hoped to reproduce those parts of the conference's results that are of special interest to our readership in future issues of this Journal as well. - Ed.]